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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. \$\$ 1.56 AND 1.97

Dear Sir:

Prior to examining the above-identified application, kindly amend the application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 1, line 10, after "a", insert -- continuation of copending United States application 08/112,848, filed August 27, 1993, which is a --.

IN THE CLAIMS

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1. (Amended) An improved method for modifying the genome of [a] an available embryonic stem cell <u>line</u> so as to [contain] <u>maintain</u>, in the genome thereof, a <u>non-yeast</u>

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